



RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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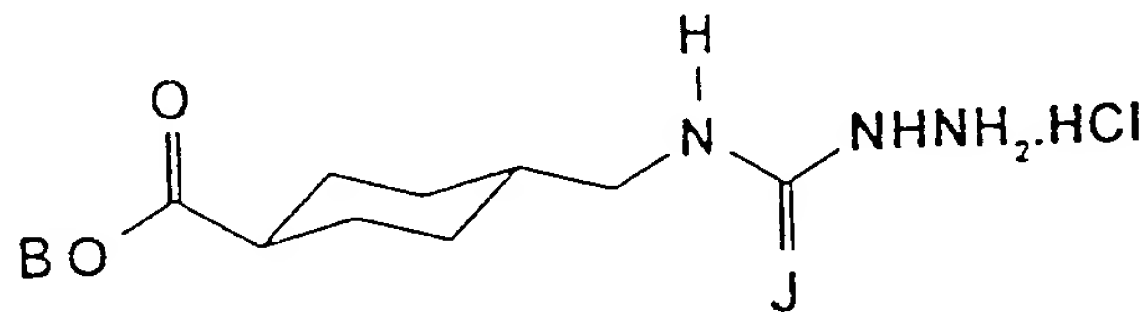
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The following is Applicants response to the restriction requirement mailed 19 September 2002, (Paper No. 11).

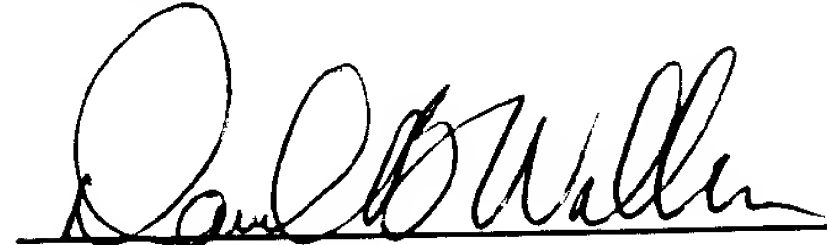
The PTO has requested Applicant elect a species following his response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 26 August 2002. Applicant hereby elects the compound species having the following structure:



wherein;
J is S or O, and
B is an amino or thiol reactive moiety.

Applicant believes that the structure above does not add new matter to the specification.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David B. Waller", written over a horizontal line.

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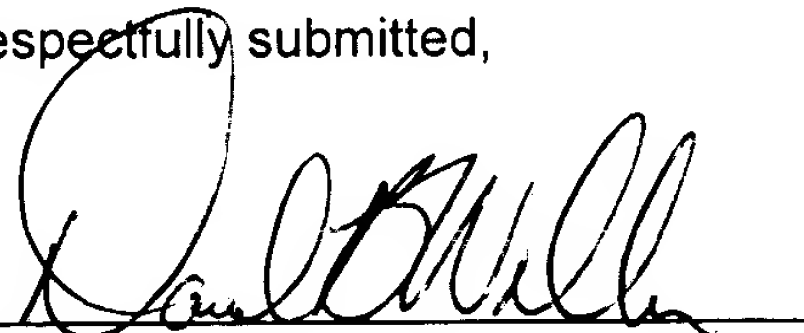
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